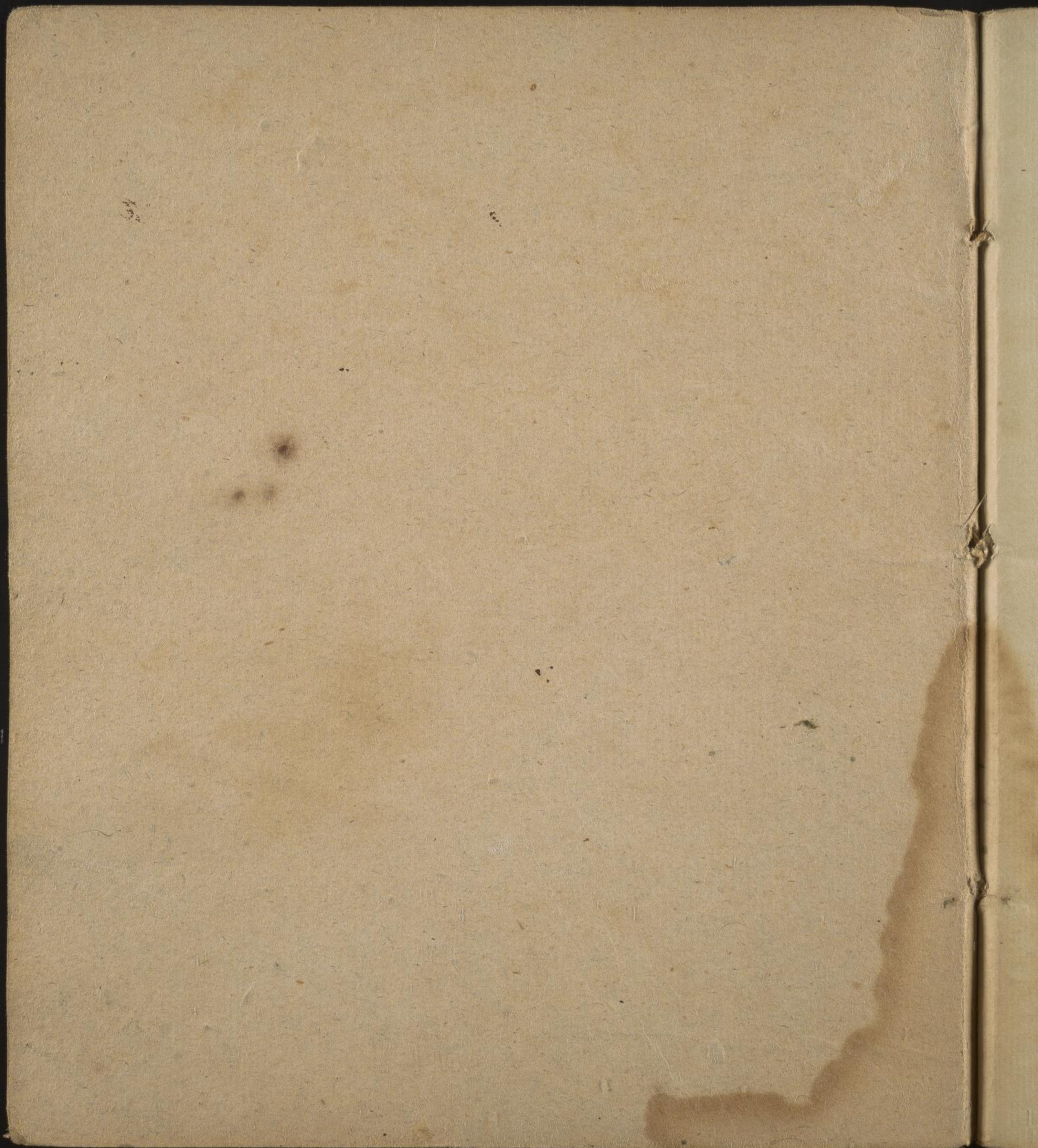


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Adolescence

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- Old age

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~~on the Superannuation - 417.~~

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+ and from the Absorption of the waste
gate of the lungs - the Thyroid gland. This plethora
generally falls on the lungs - hence
the predisposition to pulmonary comp^{ts}
at this period of life. -

✓ This has been demonstrated by many
exp^{ts} made by Dr Wintreingham.

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It was bound,

409 A manhood
In the period of Adolescence in which
I include from ^{18 or} 19 to 35, or 36, the body is
predisposed to fevers - to pulmonary conz
~~active~~ - A ~~the~~ plethora

A. plethora

- resumption of the hemorrhage - ~~Does~~ which
is induced ~~when growth ceases~~ ^{after} the power of
~~between the age of 36 & 40~~

is induced ~~between the age of 36 to 40~~
~~In the period in which the Arterial~~
~~make blood continuing the same; After a large quantity~~
~~plethora of Arteries become more dense~~
~~as it is required for the use of the body. This plethora~~
~~the~~ From birth to the conclusion

manhood

of the period of ^{manhood} ~~adulthood~~, the virgins have
more density, or more ^{firmness} ~~strength~~ in pro-
-portion to their quantity of matter, than
the Asteris - But after 36 and until

40, or 46 - the Anterior Acquire gradually
more density & tenacity than ^{the} vicinal.

In consequence of this change in the state
of the blood vessels, the veins become
more subject to ~~obscure~~ debility than

v These two last diseases ^{generally} make their appearance before any other - for the venous plethora is commonly first established in the vena porta - from which it is easy to account for ^{the} its regurgitation of the blood in the ~~hemorrhoids~~ hemorrhoids, & its effusion into the bowels from the liver in melena.

the Arteries, and a plethora whether
acquired by excess in eating, or a sup-
pression of natural evacuations is shown

upon the veins instead of the Arteries.

This exchange of density & ^{the capacity of} ~~tenuity~~
distension between the Arteries & veins is performed ^{to}

gradually. It ~~begins~~ varies as the
time it begins, & as to the term of years
it continues. — During the exchange, there

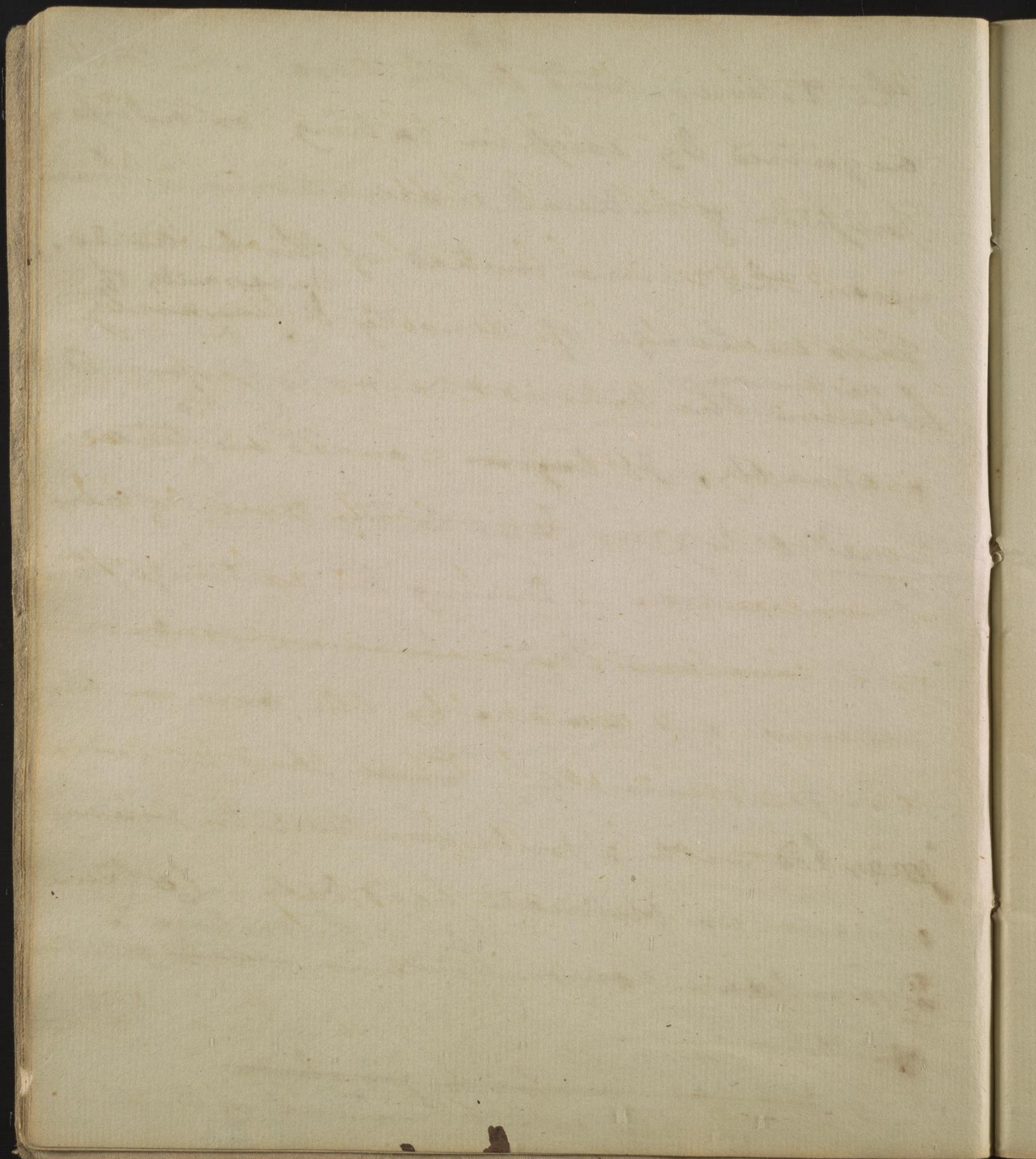
is a constant strife between the Arteries
and veins, and according as the one or the
other predominates, — ~~hence~~ this period is
marked with a predisposition to many

diseases, as obstinate head ach — Colic —
& the Melena.

Dysenteria — hemorrhoids — ~~also to fevers~~
of all kinds —

~~Old age in which~~ ~~preclude~~

The establishment of the victory



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between of the ~~venous~~ ^{arteries} ~~venous~~ arteries over
the veins, generally produces a period
of good health. The Bills of mortality
in Breslau in Silesia show that fewer
people die between ^{the} 40th & 57th years of
life, than in any other ¹⁷ years of human
life. many constitutional diseases
now disappear particularly head ach, &
a disposition to pulmonary consumption.
-on. ~~This period is marked not only~~
Excitement & excitability are now in an
exact ratio to each other, and the motions
of life, like as like the sound of the Polian
harp when exposed to a steady trade wind,
are regular and uniform. This period
is moreover marked with more happi-
-ness than any other period of life - not

V ~~Thus~~ ^{therefore} the first time, a man ^{makes use of} ~~puts on~~
a pair of Spectacles, he puts on a part of his
shroud, and ^{the first} ~~every~~ time he rises to make
water in the night, ~~he is~~ from an inability
to retain it till morning, he makes ~~his~~ a
movement towards his grave. The Cypation
of the Catamenia are the first sign of old
Age in Women. —

+ Between 60 & 70 the teeth [or the pillars
of the tabernacle] become loose, and fall out
without any mark of decay.

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only from the influence of good health
upon happiness, but from the ~~repose~~
~~exhausted~~ state of the stimulating

passions. ~~of~~ During this period, however
Death ~~from 57, the system begins to decline~~
~~from old age~~
system makes his first sunset attack
upon ^{the} system. The first ~~manifestations~~ ^{symptoms} of his ~~life~~
~~character~~ ^{fringe}, - are the decay of the eye sight,
and the languid action of ~~the system~~
of ~~the~~ Sphincter of the bladder. After 57
the signs of the decay of the body become
gradually more evident. - From 57 to
63 the system is predisposed to ^{Dyspepsia} Colic,
Vertigo - palsy & apoplexy - all of which
are ~~from~~ the effects of more or less of
congestion in the Venous system
(which is said to be the grand characteristic)
From 63 to the close of life, the system

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undergoes a material & gradual change.
 In proportion to the decay of the excitement,
 the excitability of the system decreases.
~~hence the predisposition of old people to~~
 - There we behold the commencement of
 a second childhood. - It is in consequence
 of the return of the excitability of childhood
 in old people, that they are so much disposed
 to wakefulness & to fatigue, ^{from labor or exercise.} - ~~hence~~ It is in
 this first stage of old age that the grasp becomes
 - per becomes indeed a burden to the body.
 - It is this predominance of excitability
 over excitement, that & disposes old men
 to be affected with a much less quantity of
 distilled or fermented liquors, than they
 early or middle life. It is this likewise
 which disposes them to be carried off
 so easily by intense heat & cold, - by

✓ composed of two threads, but three of these
threads support at this period the life of
man.

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light changes in the air, - by or light
~~unseasonable~~ diseases, particularly the
Influenza - and lastly by emotions of
the mind. - Allowing the cord of life to be V

as the body advances towards 80 or 90, and
- this material change in the system takes
place. The sensibility of the ^{nervous system} ~~system~~ decreases,
but the ^{excitab^y} ~~sensibility~~ of the by arterial
system increases - hence the pulse - ~~an~~
hardens - ~~is~~ and slows of the pulse
in extreme old age. - It would run as
if the ^{excit^y} ~~stimulab^y~~ of the whole system was
absorbed by the arteries, for while they
become more full & slow from Impulsions,
every other part of the system becomes
torpid, and yields with more difficulty
to the impulse of stimuli. - It is from this
acquired ^{excitab^y} ~~stimulab^y~~ of the arteries that

✓ both died of acute inflamm^d Diseases
between the 80th & 90th years of their
lives. I have often spoken of the importance
of the blood vessels as the instruments, &
Centinels of health & life. You see here
how they collect all the fragments of excite-
ment ^{as that they do in sleep,} & thus conduct
us gently & safely down the hill of life.

they become ~~more~~ disposed to inflammation
 - and hence inflammatory fevers often occur in
 young people. - ~~Dr~~ Dr Chevreton & Dr Franklin.

But further, the fluids of the body
 become acid by age, - hence the pungent
 smell of the perspiration & Urine in old
 age, and hence the ~~corrosive~~ ^{sharp} quality of the
 tears. It is from ~~hence~~ this acid quality in the
 fluids that trifling ~~lesions~~ sores in old people
 so often terminate in cancers. & trifling
 bruises in mortification. -

From every view we can take
 of the system in old age, it is evident that
 it is marked by a progressive ^{partial, & general} debility.
 - Hence the diseases to which this debility
 disposes them are ~~more~~ chronic & acute.
 The chronic ^{appear} in the arterial
 of the bladder - Prostatitis - weakness,

+ The disposition to weep & to be angry arise from great nervous irritability. The Duke of Malborough discovered both these marks of a second childhood in his old age. —

~~The muscles in ^{the} nose~~
✓ ~~become~~ of the head & hands — and
even in the organs of speech — hence their
fable & squawking voices

✓ As in Tremors, ~~and at last~~ they begin
in the head and hands, and gradually
extend to the organs of speech — hence their
slow, and squawking voices — next to their
lower limbs — ~~then to the muscles~~ the
weakness which produces these tremors
affects the back — hence the ~~at~~ inability of
very old people to sit up. — ^{next} ~~finally~~ it reaches
~~reaches~~ the spine & the Kidney &
Bladder — hence their involuntary stools —
finally in the muscles which are employed
in Respiration. This function from the

system as ~~fevers~~ ~~and frigidities~~ ~~as~~
~~thus senilis.~~
~~plants of all kinds.~~ - 2 in the nervous

system as in Deafness - imperfect vision -

& Dysuria. +

~~Frigidities in the muscles~~ ~~as in~~

~~frigidities~~ ~~as in the spasm of the bladder &~~
~~in the muscles which confine the bladder in voiding~~

3 in the Brain - as in Vertigo - & Whiffulness.
 4 in the muscles & bowels. V or as in convulsions

~~5 in the alimentary canal - as in constipation~~

~~6 in the discharge of stools. in the bowels as Colic - Watery~~

+ The Acute diseases appear & in the

arterial system - as in ~~frigidities~~ Pneumonia

notha - Dysuria - Hemorrhoids - and

fevers of all kinds from the most acute

inflamed down to the Quamtan Ague.

2 in the nervous & arterial ^{systems} - as in palsy

& apoplexy. 3 in the alimentary canal as

in ~~constipation~~ Colic ~~constipation~~ &c. Death from

in ~~frigidities~~ in the head, & of the hands.

Old age arises from the exhausted state of irritability?

4 in the ~~arterial~~ ^{palsy} ~~arterial~~ ^{in mal} - as in Vertigo - and in

It is never attended with pain. It is a rare disease.

Some febrile disease generally cuts the last thread of
 life. Come now to treat of the

Weakness of the muscles becoming voluntary. Thus
you ~~as~~ our bodies lose their strength ^{in old age} exactly in
the same order in which they acquire it in infancy.

But this is not all. In extreme old age
~~the Spincter of the bladder returns~~ return
to their original involuntary state, and the
limbs hence the Urine & feces are often
discharged in an involuntary manner.
The arms & legs too ~~become~~ again refuse
to obey the will - hence the frequency
of falls in very old people. In falling, they are
unable to stretch forth, their hands to help
themselves. - return to p 416 +

diseases, & from whole families often
afflicted
suffering with the same diseases.

the predisposition to diseases from certain
natural, or congenial States of the system.

The first of these mentioned in our letter
has in the different temperaments.

The existence of these temperaments has
been called in question by some writers, &
all that variety we perceive in the
human constitution has been ascribed
to a variety of impression from a difference
of education. This opinion is as erroneous
as that of Helvetius which we formerly
reputed ^{that} the variety in the human
mind depended upon a difference of
education. ✓

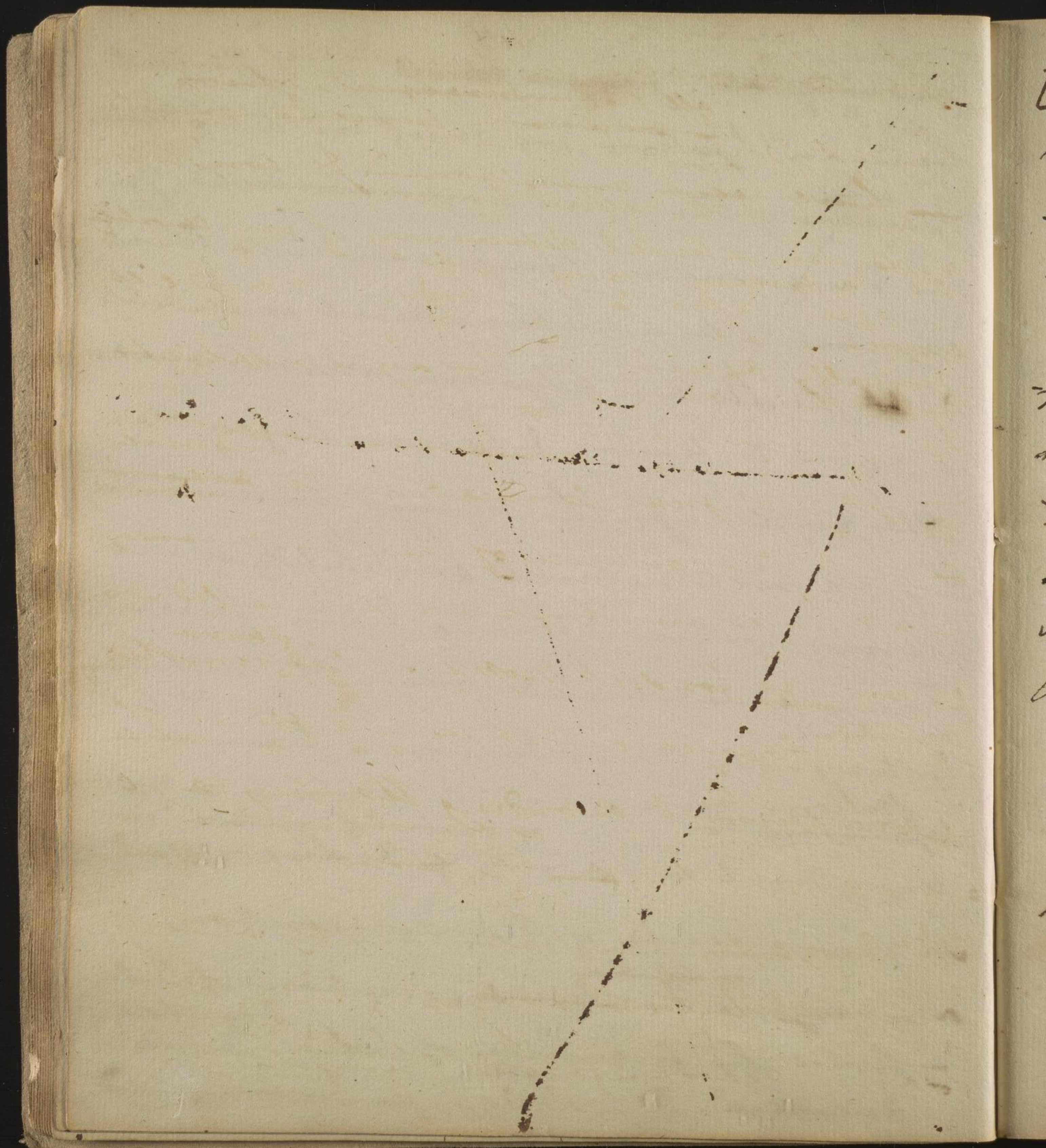
The temperaments have
been ~~divided~~ into Sanguineous - Nervous -

Bilious - & Phlegmatic. - They

are the effect of an original & congenial

✓ the former case, and of costiveness -
Flatulency - jaundice & obstructed viscera
in the latter case. When it is attended
with a deficiency of excretion, it has
received the name of the Atra bilious
the dark color of the skin & from
temperament, from black bile being
observed so frequently discovered in the
gall bladder, liver, & adjoining parts. -

debility ^{& excitability,} 418
~~Marbid state~~ - for ~~as facts~~ in a perfect
human system we meet with no marks
of ~~either~~ ^{any} of the above temperaments. In
the sanguineous temperaments there
appears to be a preternatural excitability
in ~~the~~ the distal system which disposes
it more to fever - & hemorrhages than
other people. - In the nervous temperament,
there is a preternatural excitability of the
nervous system (including brain - nerves,
& muscles) which disposes it to madness,
convulsions -
- Epilepsy - Hysteria & Syncope. I am at a
Bilious temperament - there is a pre-
~~disposition to~~ or a defect of excitability in
= preternatural excitability of the liver, and
in consequence of this a disposition to
an ^{or defective} excessive ~~secretion~~ & excretion of Bile,
- hence the frequency of ^{Dysentery} Cholera - Jaundice
- Anorexia - & head Ach in ~~such habits~~.



The phlegmatic temperament is the
 reverse of ~~all the temperaments which~~
~~the sanguineous & nervous.~~
~~in have been mentioned.~~ It consists in
 a ~~partial~~ natural deficiency of excitability
 or perhaps in every
 in different parts of the body. - It more es-
 -pecially occurs in the lymphatic &
 nervous systems. ~~I shall now add a few remarks upon~~ ^{I have learned} ~~inquire~~
 † It is of great consequence to attend
 to in the existence of these temperaments
 in all cases, in which we are called upon
 to prescribe for sick people. - The ^{same} remote
 causes of diseases act very differently
 upon persons according as they are
 predisposed by any the above temperaments.
 Dr Daignan illustrates this, by a very
 opposite fact. Four young men of the
 same age, overheated themselves on the
 at School

[I mentioned a similar fact from Dumas
an epidemic
of ~~a fever~~ in London which affected the organs
of generation, & the Shoulders & Backs of persons
who had ^{either} had the Ven. Disease, or who had been
wounded on their Shoulders & Backs.]

V as I hinted under Hygiene, how
improper it is to deliver general rules
for the preservation of health.

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same Spring day, & with the same Degree
of the same exercise. They were all taken
sick afterwards, but each one with a
different disorder, ^{case} according to his predispo-
sition & temperament. This diversity of
temperaments explains the cause why
the same Epidemic so often appears ^{with} ~~so~~
such different symptoms in different
people under every possible equal circum-
stance. ^{of equality} E.g. In a sanguineous tempe-
rament even the malignant Scurvy
itself ~~sometimes~~ ^{with force} requires
~~the remedy of Blood letting~~ ^{copious} [] — It explains
the cause likewise, why the same prescriptions
~~both~~ of medicines and diet & ^{exercise} regimen produce
such different & even opposite effects in dis-
eases in which all other circumstances
are perfectly equal. — It shows further &

I shall conclude this subject 421 by the following remarks.

1 These temperaments are ^{generally} ~~formation~~ blended
together in different proportions - and hence
arises another cause of the different action
of the same diseases & of the same remedies
upon the system. - ~~as we seldom find them~~

any one of them in a simple state. Arterial bilious
2 ~~scattered~~ These temperaments ^{joined. Egypt.} ~~scattered~~

Others in different periods of life. The pueri.

variance of ^{the different} ~~certain~~ temperaments

is influenced not only by time, but by many

of the ^{remote} ~~remote~~ circumstances or causes of

diseases formerly enumerated. ✓

These ^{temperaments} should never be lost ^{light} ~~off~~ ⁱⁿ ~~in~~

investigating the cause or prescribing for

the cure of a disease; for in many cases

it is as necessary to accommodate the force

or dose of a medicine to them as it is to the

state of the system in a fever. ^{more copious} ~~of~~ ^{in the}

Lang. ~~the~~ purges in the sanguineous & bilious - The

and the Diseases are often lost by the mix-
-ture of Strangers with these Nations by
marriage. It was because the Ancient
Greeks were so insulated in their Connections
with each other, that ~~this~~ their Diseases &
the Signs, and Crises of their Fevers were
~~more~~ ^{more} uniform than in modern Countries.
- hence too the truth of many of the Opinions
& predictions of Hippocrates, which are ^{not} equally
true ~~under~~ ^{other} ~~circumstances~~ ^{country &} of climate.

✓ of 300 popes, but five have lived
to be above 80 years of age. —

the most
+ powerful sedatives in the muscular-
- abstraction from study in the mental, or
phrenetic, and more active tonics in
the melancholic & hysterical temperaments.

From this ^{view} of the human body
just: we are led to consider not only life,
but even health as a forced state. ~~for~~
From the influence of the temperaments

~~case of sparing Use of both 1/22 in the case~~ +

① The different conditions of the system in single & married life predispose it to several diseases. -

Single men and women who pass those years in celibacy which should be devoted to each other ^{are} generally more disposed to diseases than married men & women; men are predisposed to Hippocortis when they live without society - hence few monks in the monasteries of Europe ever live to be beyond 60 years of age! But when single men live in company, they become predisposed themselves to all the diseases of ~~independent~~ irregular life as to eating drinking

✓ added to the causes which induce
these
diseases in them in common w:
married women,
these, they are predisposed to them
still more, from ~~that~~ ^{the} ~~regiment~~ ^{the suppressed}
secret, and unfortunate disappoint-
ments in love. —

— perhaps it will be safe to say that
few men exist enjoy a perfect degree of
health; certainly, none live without a
constant predisposition to disease in some
part of the system from ^{natural} ~~and~~ ~~inherited~~ ~~acquired~~
debility. ~~hence~~ this remark is not
originally mine. Celsus long ago said

Sleeping & Dying. — ~~But~~ The inconveniences
 of both ^{solitude & company} ~~stages~~ of life are felt most ter-
 ribly in the decline of life — hence it
 has been happily said — “that a Bath-
 -less life is a good breakfast — a tolerable
 dinner — but a very bad supper.”

Single women are predisposed from
 the same causes to Hysteria — to Hippo-
 -condriasis & to more frequent attacks
 of obstructed & premature discharges
 of the menses than married women.

Consonant to these observations
 bills of mortality show that a greater
 proportion of single men & women
 among adults die, every year than
 of married people. —

~~Rare~~ ^{non aliquando} ~~quidquam~~ ^{partem}, imbecil:
= lam habet! — ~~How few people~~
pass a whole day with regular ~~exer-~~
-tions in time & quantity! — ~~How rarely~~
~~as does uncommon~~ is or without
measles, or pain in some parts of
the body! and how uncommonly is
it to pass a night without Dreams?
now all these — are morbid phenomena,
and the effects of previous ~~and~~ debility.
In a word — perfect health — is perhaps
as rare ~~as~~ as perfect Virtue — or
perfect reason. Be not discouraged at this
view of the ^{fragility of the} human body. It loudly pro-
-claims the ~~the~~ necessity of a usefulness
of our profession. ~~return to it~~ ^{Give over} ~~to it~~

NB ~~There~~ weakness in one part, is often attended
with greater strength in other - thus invincible
blood vessels - w strong muscles - weak nerves - vigorous
~~sympathetic of the~~

of the single persons Dr Dignan
 proves that more men die than
 women, and more widowers than
 widows. This must be owing to both
 single men & widowers being exposed
 to ~~more~~ from their manner of life
 to more of the remote & occasional
 causes of diseases than single women
 or widows. —

Married men are ~~not~~ predisposed to
 the fevers soon after matrimony. It has
 been remarked that the plague generally
 attacks ~~for~~ men who have been re-
 cently married, from reasons too
 obvious to be mentioned.

Married women are predisposed to

6 Variety in the human mind depends wholly upon the difference of organization and temperament. Hence its changes owing to changes in the latter in childhood & different stages of life.

7 Weakness in one part of the body, or a predisposition to disease from one temperament, is often attended with preternatural strength in another part of the body, or a resistance to disease in another part of the body - hence we see irritable or vibratile blood - defects accompanied w. strong muscles, and rigorous lymphatics with weak nerves. This is evident in hysterical women, ^{hypochond} whose disease the discharge of a large quantity of water is a common symptom.

98 End in torpor - or return to ~~torpor~~.
Pneumonia: & hypotonia p 23 &
of them 419.

no disease in consequence of matrimony
 except such as arise from pregnancy
 & giving suck - or not giving suck when
 they are in a condition to do so. -

Barrunne's disposes to diseases
 chiefly by the mortification ~~when~~ and
 distress which ^{are} connected with it.
 - Hence the diseases which are produ-
 ced by it occur chiefly in the first
 years after matrimony. The desire
of progeny is a deep seated principle
 in the human mind, & operates w:
 much more married women than in
 a form in the female mind, in
 married men. In our sex, the desire
 of children is often the effect of ^{vanity} ~~pride~~
 the dread of shame, or ridicule - or of

whether, it
✓ ~~Barrenness~~ be simply from anxiety
or dishep of mind, I know not, but I think
I have observed barren women to be more
subject to "Hysteria - Hypochond" & fluor albus,
than women who bear children. —

Vanity, - or of pride. That the latter principle operates in our sex is evident from the preference ^{by us to} ~~is given to~~ ~~lose~~ male children. But very different is that principle in the female sex, both in its force & delicacy, which prompts the desire of ~~an~~ offspring. I have known ~~see it~~ a lady in affluent & genteel life who upon seeing a ^{pregnant} female beggar, ~~at~~ declared she would joyfully exchange conditions with her, only for the sake of being with Child. Judge how violently ^{capable of dictating such a} ~~such a~~ passion ~~when disappointed, must~~ ^{when disappointed, upon} operate ~~on~~ a delicate female constitution. V

The female system during pregnancy.

✓ In the 1st place, the inflammⁿ of the
Uterus is ^{generally} such as to ~~also~~ ^{suspend} ~~prevent~~ in-
-flammⁿ in the lungs; but 2^{ly} where
this is not the case

from its tonic state 427
is predisposed to inflamm^y diseases of
all kinds. The most acute pleuritis
I have heard ^{of, or} seen were in pregnant
women. — ~~They are likewise disposed~~
~~from the tonic state of their system to~~
~~to contagious diseases,~~

It has been remarked, that pregnant
women never die of Consumptions,
may further, — that the consumption
is suspended in them, during the time
of pregnancy. The reasons of this
are as follow:
~~may easily be explained, from what~~

~~was formerly said of that disorder.~~

~~During pregnancy~~ the tone of the
System ^{during pregnancy} is such as to produce the
first degree of pulmonary inflammⁿ:
which is pneumonia, whereas in

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the intervals of pregnancy, the ^{tone of the} system
is so much weakened as to be able
to produce only a pneumonia, or
the pulmonary consumption.

Pregnant Women are moreover
disposed to suffer more from
malignant ^{epidemic} ~~contagious~~ fevers than during preg-
nancy than ^{at} any other time. The
small pox frequently proves fatal
to pregnant women, & the plague
the yellow fever.
The influence generally induces abor-
tions in them. I mentioned this fact
formerly ^{It is strange} ~~and expressed at the same~~
~~time my ignorance of the cause~~
~~an light attack of so fatal a disease~~
~~being a most acute infectious fever~~
~~did not as the influence should~~

✓ Purging prevented Abortion in the
yellow fever, perhaps by inducing
Artificial Dysentery. —

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produce an abortion, & the same effect
should not follow an attack of the
most violent inflamm^y fever, or of an
acute Dysentery.

Pregnancy predisposes, by the want
of exercise it imposes on the system,
and by the compression of the parts w^h
are contiguous to the uterus to puer-
-ile fever. -

It predisposes to the Colic from the
costiveness induced by the pressure of the
distended uterus on the bowels. -

It predisposes to vertigo - & numbness
of the limbs, from plethora, & the pressure
of the uterus on the descending aorta.

It disposes to mania by the
debility ^{or collapse} it leaves on the brain
after parturition.

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The period in which the menses take
 leave of the female constitution is
 marked with a predisposition to
 several diseases. This period lasts
 from 3 months to 3 and 4 years,
 during which time the menses are
 said by the good women to Dodge,
 that is, they appear & disappear at
 irregular periods, sometimes once
 a fortnight, & sometimes once ⁱⁿ ~~to~~
 3 or even 6 months. The female
 system undergoes the same change
 in the ^{relative} density, and ^{distensibility} ~~tenacity~~ of the
 arteries & veins which I formerly
 said took place in the male con-
 stitution between 36 and 46. This

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change in women has a greater latitude. It often extends to 50 & even 52 - But it seldom begins till abt. 40. -

During this period women are predisposed to all the diseases of Venous plethora - such as Hemorrhoids - Costiveness - Colic - Vertigo - palsy - and even to ~~pulmonary consumption~~ ^{hemorrhages both} from the Liver & Lungs. From the ^{subsequent} stagnation & accumulation of blood, or hemorrh in the Uterus, an Ulcer is often induced in that Organ which frequently ends in Cancer. From the influence of the variable state of the tension ⁱⁿ of the Uterus, effusions sometimes take place in the breasts

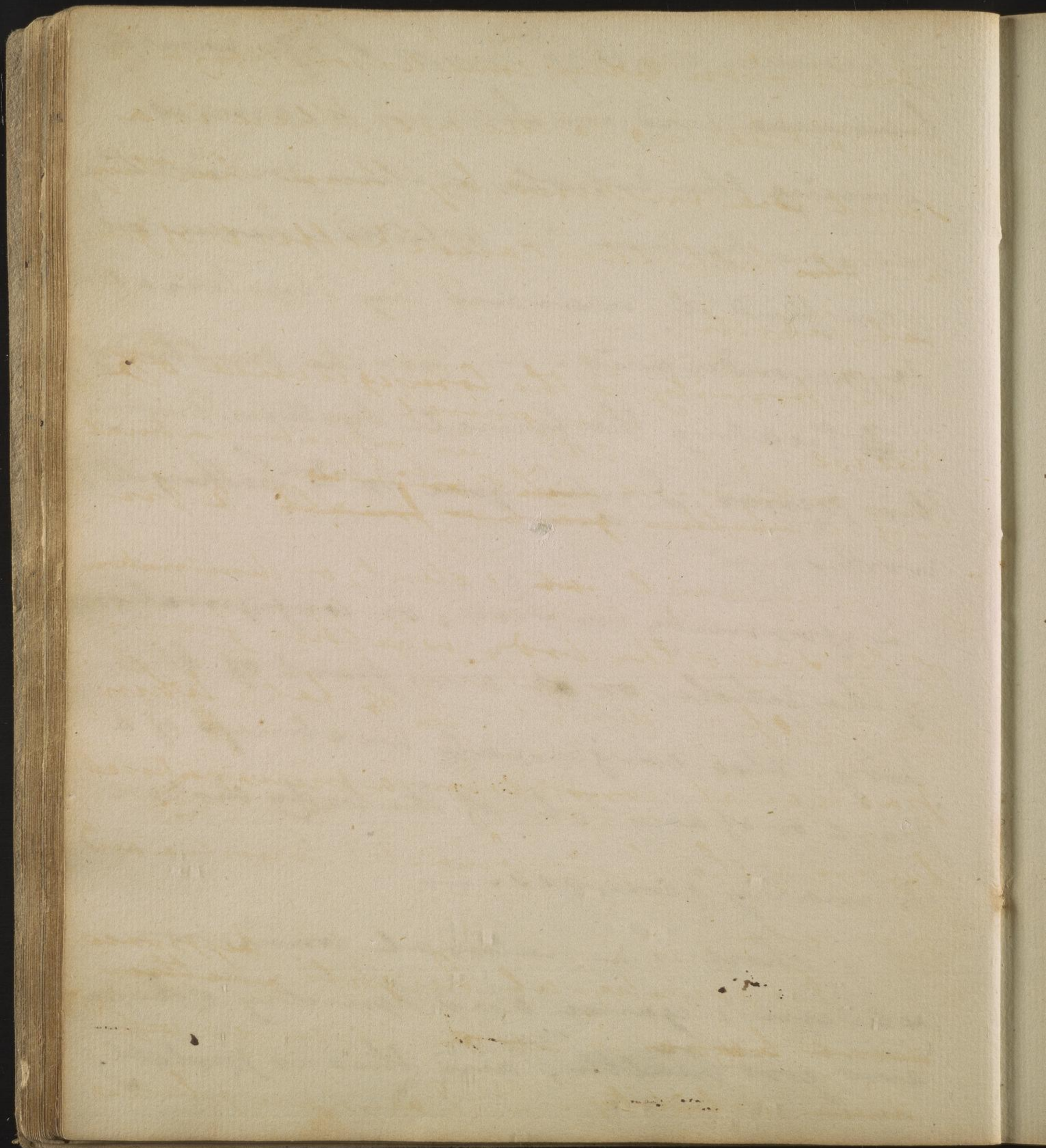
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of women at this time of life. which
~~likewise~~ end in Schirr & cancers.

During the whole of this period the
nervous system is affected - hence we
often find it marked by Hysteria &
Hypochondriasis. - For the method of
treating the female system during
this period, I refer you to Dr. Folger's
works. -

Deformity in size, or configuration
of the whole, or of any part of the
body, also congenial weakness of a
part or of a whole of the body dispose
to many diseases. -

There is a natural connection
between elegance and symmetry of shape,
and good health, and this is probably



One reason why complexion & figure are so pleasing to the eye. There is a secret idea inspired by them that they are both the cause & effect of general health. —

Deformity is the consequence of ^{when general} disease. It consists 1 in a preternatural ^{or the reverse high of ~~it~~ ^{bone}} height ~~whether great or small~~. 2 In preternatural ~~fat~~ extent, or diminution of the size of the body whether from an excess or deficiency of fat. When partial it consists in a preternatural figure of the head - breast - trunk and limbs. —

Preternatural height ^{this process} ~~whether~~ ^{many} great heights to ~~all the~~ diseases, ~~of~~ disease ~~debility~~. Dr Daignan places

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the medium duration of human life
 in very tall people between 25 & 27.
 I once saw an Italian who was ^{of 7 feet 4 inches in} ~~height~~ ^{height}
 -bited in London as a freak, whose an-
 -cestors ~~his~~ for many generations had
 all died before they were 26. -

~~Some~~ men of very low stature, or
 Dwarfs are generally weakly, and
 short lived. The only exception I have
 met with to this remark is the Dwarf
 brot from Germany to Eng^d by George
 the 3^d who lived to be upwards of 80.

^{of} beyond a certain degree is the effect of
Fract is a disease - and whenever
 it occurs it predisposes to many diseases,
 particularly to those of ^{congestion, in} ~~plethora~~ ^{the viscera from} ~~the~~ ^{the} sanguiferous system &
 to all ~~the~~ the diseases which follow

V The causes of fat when it becomes
a disease are

a deficiency of exercise, for it ~~disposes~~ ^{generally} disposes to too much rest. Few men who become fat before 40 are long-lived. ~~A~~ A deficiency of fat does not often occur to such a degree as to dispose to diseases of any kind.

Deformity or disproportion in certain parts of the body disposes to many diseases. A big head - and a short neck dispose to Apoplexy - a narrow chest to ^{asthma} consumption & a crooked spine, to diseases of the bowels. - ~~and~~ Deformities in the ^{lower} limbs dispose to Diseases, only by lessening the ability to use exercise - Women suffer less from deformity than men, probably because they suffer less than men from the want of exercise. It is said that by Montaigne that

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deformity disposes to universal pleasures -
 - He ascribes it to preternatural determination to the Organs of Generation. Pro-
 - bably it arises only from that morbid
 excitability of the ^{ven. appetite} ~~passions~~ which follows
 the want of exercise. -

Congenial weakness of a part or of the
 whole of the body disposes to all ~~the~~ diseases
~~of debility~~. At seven months children
 generally bring this weakness into the
 world with them. where the force of
 stimuli which are applied to the body
 are exactly accommodated to this con-
 -genial weakness, it does not necessarily
 produce disease, or a short duration
 of life. The present King of Great Britain
 was ~~an~~ a seven months child, and

Again certain disorders produce diseases. &c.

✓ A Stricture in the Urethra has often induced an intermittent. Water in the Ven-
-tricles of the brain by its reaching on the
System produces convulsions & palsy. A Scurvy
Liver produces Dropsy partial & general, &
even a carious tooth has become the
inlet of such morbid excitement into the
System as to produce, Rheumatism, in-
-termitting fever, and pulmonary Consump-
-tion. Of the last facts I shall mention
more particularly hereafter. — here go
to ~~terminal life~~ — history of death.

[This Gent: have I delivered as full an Acc^t
of as I was able of ^{what are called the proximate} the remote — predisposing,
& exciting causes of diseases. I have used those
terms in conformity to modern writers
particularly to Dr. Fuller, but a more
natural division would have been
into ~~proximate & remote~~ — the latter including the
predisposing — & exciting on

I ~~know~~ ^{was} a lady of this city who ~~lived to be~~
^{above} ~~lived to be~~ 60 who enjoyed good health,
~~till the~~ in the evening of her life, &
who was likewise the free offspring of
an Abolition. Her childhood - youth
& middle life were marked with great
weakness, and many attacks of acute
& chronic diseases. —

With this we finish, the predisposing
causes of diseases which are natural.
Those which are artificial are the effects
of certain diseases in ^{actual} predisposing to
others. E.g. ~~lung~~ Pneumony when
neglected or half cured, disposes to Consump-
tion, — and intermitting fevers to Jaun-
dice and Dropsy. The remitting fever
of children & disposes to Hydrocephalus
& intermies, & continues to colic. [The

occasional causes. ~~you say~~ I have
 only to repeat again ~~the links which~~
~~connect~~ that there is but one disease viz:
 morbid excitement - but one predisposing
 cause viz debility - ^{induced by stimulus; or the abstraction} & but one exciting
 cause viz ^{of stimulus in the form of what?} ~~a stimulus or irritant~~
 Hunter calls an irritant. In those
 cases where debility is induced ^{whether it be by} ~~by~~ ^{affection}
 or Abstraction ^{of stimulus} ~~of stimulus~~, I believe indirect
^{depression} ~~debility~~ is generally induced by the ~~first~~ ^{longer}
 impression of the irritating cause, ~~before~~
 morbid excitement ^{or disease} is excited in any
 part of the body. ^{go to p 444} ~~Here you see I need~~ ^{Animal life}
^{calty} ~~go to p 444~~ ^{I need} ~~go to p 444~~ ^{I need}
 further & further from Dr Brown who suppo:
 =es direct debility only to predispose to
 Disease. I believe this direct debility must
 first be converted into indirect ~~before~~ by
 the first impression of the irritating cause
 before morbid excitement, or disease is produced.
^{go to p 444} ~~go to p 444~~

whole of this head may be summed
 up in a few words - and that they are,
 that these Diseases are connected together
 by links, and that the metastasis of
 diseases tho' apparently subject to no
 laws, are nevertheless, the consequence of
 one disease predisposing to another]

[Little need be said upon
 272 The ^{exciting or occasional} ~~occasional~~ causes of diseases
 After what has been said, on this st.
 = note & predisposing causes. The occasi-
 = onal cause acts only upon predispo-
 = sition - hence the saying of Galienus.
 "Causa occasionalis non nocet nisi
 a combined action of
 predispositis". There may be remote
 predisposing causes upon the system w:
 out a disease. The occasional cause
 is that exciting power which steps in

✓ upon morbid action, & distinguished
it from predisposing debility, and
from those obstructions - Effusions &c
which are the mere effects of disease,
& which I have called Disorder. Disease
has received different names according to
the parts of the body it ~~affects~~ affects.
- In the blood vessels - it is called fever -
in the ~~veins~~ ^{muscles} it is called convulsion -
~~in the veins~~ - Hysteria - Melancholia
- in the Brain - ~~Paralysis~~ Paralysis & in the Lungs
Spasm - &c - But all the different
affections of these & other parts of the
^{depend on one cause viz}
body, are ~~nothing but~~ nothing but morbid exis-
-tence, or irregular action.

and by acting on the ^{440.} predisposition
creates the disease. } ~~go to No 12. p. 525.~~
Let: Feb: -

[We come now to the most difficult
& important part of our whole course
viz: to inquire into the proximate
cause of Diseases.]

I formerly ~~defined~~ ^{stated} the proximate
cause of a disease was the last link in
the chain of the causes which produces a
disease - or in other words, it is the
^{formerly}

Disease itself. I said that it depended

I have divided diseases in the
Syllabus into general, & partial or local.

The general diseases affect the whole
of certain parts of the
system - the local diseases only ^{affect} parts,
without bringing ^{of a} the whole system

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In our lectures upon the practice of physic
I shall pursue ^{this} morbid excitement into ^{all} ~~the~~ ~~arteries~~
its holds ~~whether~~ they be in the blood vessels
~~arteries, Lymphatics, Viscera -~~ Intestinal Canal,
and external surface of the body, and mind ^{on} ~~the~~
blood in all the different systems. ~~that~~ ~~be~~ at one, or in
thing demands your attention before we
passion to each other. One
quit this part of our course, & that is,
~~so~~ nearly all impressions which produce
more or less
disease discover themselves ~~and~~ in the stomach -
the liver - and the spleen. The stomach
~~is~~ ~~the~~ the center of the most extensive
or associations
sympathies with every part of the body. ~~For~~
~~it therefore should we look in every I have~~
Often compared it to the dial plate of a watch
which discovers in the position of the hour & minute
hands the smallest deviations from order in
the motions of the numerous wheels which com-
-pose that useful piece of machinery. Consider-
-ing its wonderful properties as the antineur-

Intod lymphathy.

✓ In order to explain the ~~operation~~^{cause} of general ~~scurvy~~ diseases, I shall divide the body into ~~the~~⁷ following systems.

viz: the 1 Arterial & the 2 venous - the muscles - nerves -

(which I shall subdivide into Brain - and mind -

~~nerves & vessels~~ -) the 3 Alimentary Canal

in which I include the Stomach - the

4 glandular & Lymphatic Systems - the

5 Surface of the body - the 6 blood & 7 secreted fluids.

All these systems are connected to-
-gether in such a manner, that a

disease in one of them sometimes pro-

-duces a ^{occasional} disease in them all - But

this is far from being always the case.

- The source of them are related to

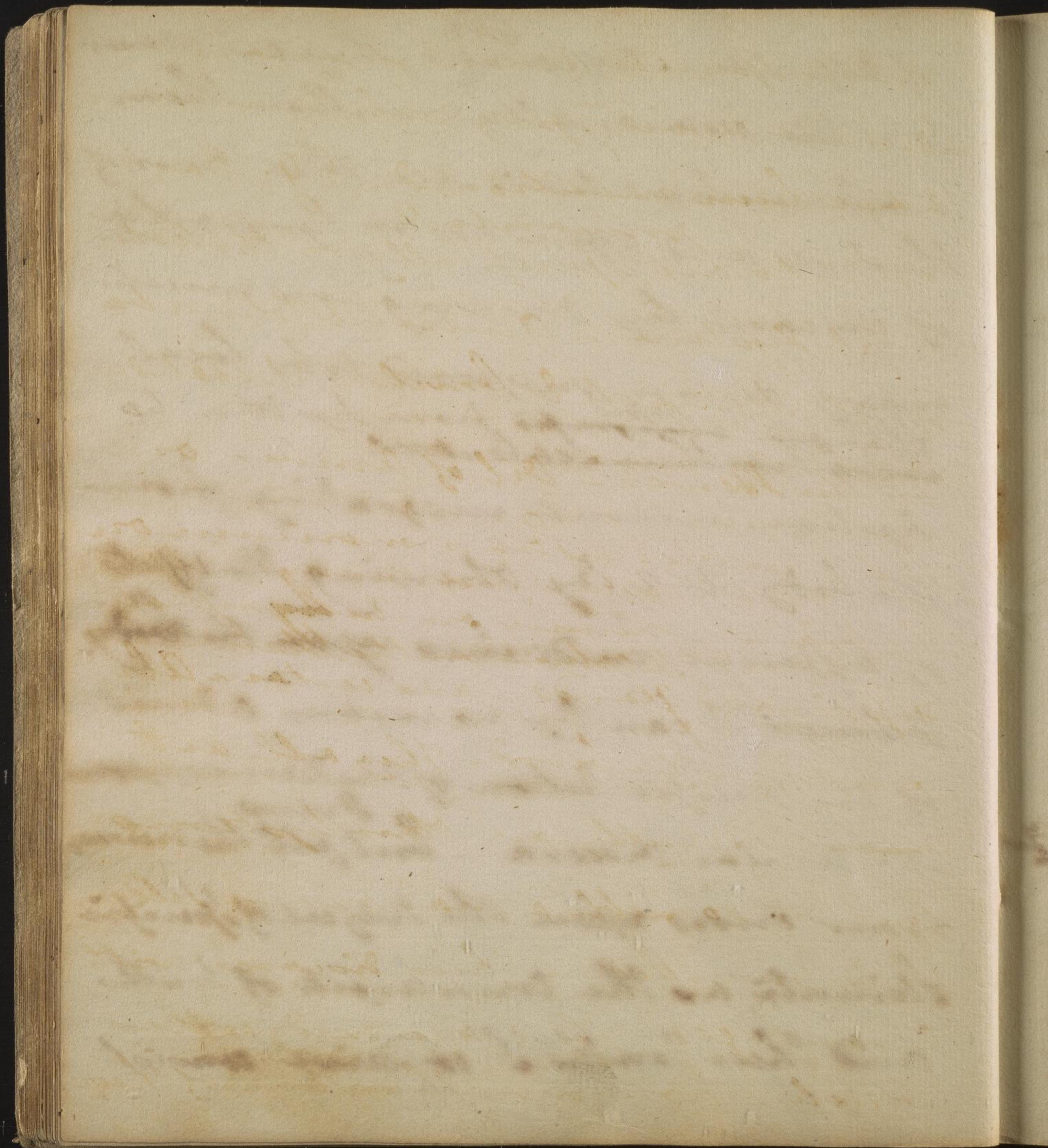
of the system when it is ^{affected} ~~thruated~~ by disease or
~~death~~ ^{thruated} by death, I do not wonder that
Van Helmont made it the seat of his
Archæus, or principle of disease, & that some
physicians have made it the constant dwell-
-ing place of the soul. The Liver feels most
morbid impressions in the next degree. Hence
we find it is diseased from the influence of
~~that~~ - exercise - ^{Anger} and above all Koinourias,
- mata. The morbid ^{canoe} ~~matter~~ be it what it
may, that produces the Scarlatina ^{angiosa} ~~dans~~,
& the Angina maligna acts powerfully upon
the Liver - hence a discharge of bile is a com-
-mon symptom in those diseases. The
Spleen ^{is likewise a reservoir of morbid} ~~feels impressions of a morbid~~
-bid impressions particularly of those
which ^{act on the Arterial System.} ~~are of a mental nature.~~
this I shall give you some proofs

each other by the strongest ties, and
 sympathize with each other in
 every pain to which each is expo-
 sed - Others appear to be as little
 affected by the diseases of even those
 systems which ^{are contiguous to} ~~adjoin~~ them as if
 they did not belong to the same body.
 In ^{the} ~~the~~ simple state of the ^{whole body} ~~system~~
^{cases} ~~the diseases of~~ these
 it is probable the relation of ^{the} ~~these~~
 divisions of the systems is as uniform
 as the relation of chemical bodies to
 each other - But diversified as the
 body is by ^{dispositions} ~~a~~ difference of ~~temperature~~
 age and states of society, this rela-
 tionship is often irregular, it cannot
 be subjected to any certain laws

in the lectures upon the Diseases of the
mind, when I shall deliver ^{to you} a new
theory of the Use of that Viscus.

~~go to Therapeutics~~
go to Cause & phenomena
of death. p 443

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of affinity. As far as they are obvious
I shall occasionally mention them.
I was first led to take this view of
the seats and Affinities or Sympathies
of diseases, by observing how much
many diseases supposed to be local
changed ^{propagated} ~~emigrated~~ from system to
~~and then their seats were~~
system, without migrating from
the body, & 2 By observing the effects
of different medicines upon the body.
~~At length~~ I can by no means admit
of the Specific Action of Medicines upon
particular viscera - but, ^{I view} all the num-
erous errors upon the subject of Specific
Stimuli, as the counterparts of truths,
and these truths, I conceive consist



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in the Specific Action of certain me-
-dicines upon ^{the} Specific Systems which
have been mentioned. E.g. Bark
seems to act ^{primarily &} specifically on the Arter-
-ial System - Gentian & Columba
on the Stomach & bowels - Asafetida
on the Nerves - Oil of Amber on
the Muscles - Stramonium on
the brain - ^{champaigne wine on the mind -} Mercury on the Lymphatic
- vessels and glands - ^{Sulphur} on the Skin -
-ments on the blood. They all act
~~more~~ indirectly on other systems,
but in so feeble a manner as seldom
to be prescribed in their diseases with
advantage. There are medicines
which act on more than one of these

✓ 3. I was led to adopt this division of the
body into the above systems by observing the
effects which the excitement or diminution
of the excitement of some one of them had
upon another. Eg: It was by observing the
effects of exciting the arterial system on the
muscles - that I was led to use tonics, and
even remedies to excite ^{a moderate degree of} inflame diathesis in
the cure of Tetanus. The intimate connection
of the Skin with the bowels first suggested
to me the use of Blisters in the Dysenteria
& of tonics ^{& laxatives} in diseases of the Skin according
as they were attended with ^{relaxation or} ~~relaxation~~ ^{too little}
inflammation. ^{I was led} ~~It moreover led me to~~ ^{by this division of the} ~~adopt the~~
^{& system} Use of Calomel in the Laryngo-bronchitis
trachealis humoralis. ~~It is~~ The Calomel
by stimulating the Stomach & bowels, so as
to promote function & excretion in them,
opens or checks both in the Trachea] —

systems at the same time - & y: Vol.
 Salt acts at once upon the arterial
 & nervous systems. Again - there is
 a medicine which acts upon the whole
 of these system at once - Opium has
 this preeminence, & in this I apprehend
 that unit of its operation consists which
 distinguishes it from wine & every other
 stimulus. —

o I shall first mention and endeavour
 to explain the ^{causes of the} diseases which affect y:
~~whole body~~ ~~the medium~~ of the arte:
 rial or sanguiferous system. I am na:
 - turally led to begin with ~~these~~ diseases
 of this ~~system~~ ^{it is} because they are the most universal,
 and from an obvious reason - that is,
 the peculiar situation of the arteries

4 Having adopted this division of the system I
am led to support ^{it} by observing how much
it reconciles the most opposite principles,
& facts in medicine, by making all of them
true in their proper places. Instead ^{therefore} of rejecting
the systems of my predecessors, I am daily more
& more disposed to adopt parts of each of them ^{in toto} ^{go to therapeutics.}

5 By the surface of the body, I beg that
it may be remembered I include the
external surface of the lungs & throat &
the two former ^{largely} ~~partially~~ ^{of the action of}
~~partially~~ ^{largely} ~~partially~~ ^{of the action of}
~~but~~ the two most debilitating & exciting
causes of fever which have been mentioned
viz: heat & cold.

the authors of
and tend to instead of treating any one of them
with contempt, I feel for them all both
gratitude & respect. In the like matter
are indelible in ^{their} nature, and
however obscured & diluted ^{they may be} by errors ^{yet}
^{so} they must sooner or later become visible,

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with respect to other parts of the body.
They are as it were the drift parts of
~~they terminate on the surface of~~

~~the body~~ ^{the whole body}. They
terminate on ^{its} ~~the surface of the body~~ and receive

the first shock of all the debilitating
causes formerly mentioned, more

especially heat and cold. Hence they
exhibit the first
~~suffer first~~ marks of that derange-

ment of ^{action} ~~motion~~ or disorder which
constitutes a disease. — This derange-

Fever.

ment or disorder has been called

90 top 451 V This I shall say hereafter de-
~~the~~ fever. I shall begin its ~~the~~ ^{the} ~~the~~ by
depends on a convulsive action in the blood vessels.

~~inquiring into the~~ ~~causes of~~
I shall then describe it here bring in Vol: 4: ^{4th} of
~~this disorder~~ ~~where~~ I shall only repeat
what I have said in Vol: 4: ^{4th} of
you are acquainted with what I taught in
our clinical lectures. [Bring in p. 135 Vol: 4th

terminate causes of ~~first~~ ^{first} I have only to add to this acc² of


& useful. I have sometimes compared
them to the ~~words~~ conversation of the
people described by Mr Addison which
~~frozen~~ at the North pole during the winter,
but which upon the approach of the
Spring, became audible, so that not a
single word perished that had been uttered
by the company during the winter. O/p 24/45

[In this ~~division~~ ^{division} ~~history~~ ^{division of the system} of diseases as
diseases by different systems, I have ~~stumbled~~ ^{claim}
no other merit, than having stumbled upon
a new & fortunate situation, from which
I have been able to grasp in my eye a
more exact, ^{& extensive} view of the geography of an
old & long discovered Island. By means of
this position I ~~think~~ ^{uncover} the number, and
extent, of & above all, the natural, & artificial
communications of the rivers & creeks &
Canals of ~~these~~ this Island have become

fever that it frequently affects the ^{whole} nervous system - with delirium - the alimentary canal - the glandular & lymphatic systems, and even the skin & blood.

The different states of the system ~~for the division of~~
 in Inflam^y - remitting - Intermittent
 & rem^t: fever, ~~it was formerly~~ ^{were so fully described} ~~called different~~
 & I hope accounted for, that I need not
 repeat what ^{has been} ~~was~~ said, upon this occasion.

They ^{all} terminate in^t in effusions of blood in the viscera - and of serum called sweat - or pus on the external parts of the body - when this effusion occurs on any part of the skin it is called an Abscess, and is universally supposed to be the effect of the general fever, but when it ~~is~~ ^{as it sometimes, does after} occurs in the lungs it is an inflam^y fever, which affects

more obvious to wit, and the means of con-
veying the Articles of Commerce both into
this Island & out of it have become more
expeditions & certain. ~~The Subsequent Obser-~~
~~vations will I hope shew the Application~~
~~of this simile to the Subject before us.~~ - I
invite you Gent. to come and ~~take~~ occupy ^{the}
^{Situation which I} ~~me the described~~ have described - or rather
I advise you to have me behind you, and
to explore the width & depth of those ^{waters,} ~~riots,~~
~~and~~ with all the superior Advantages you
will derive from ^{your} more ~~vast~~ youthful &
more vigorous Senses. Subsequent Observations
will I hope shew the Application of this simile
to the Subject before us. 

is called an Ulcer, ~~and~~ This Ulcer is a
 lymphoma ^{only} of a pulmonary consumption
 but it has unfortunately been consid^d as
 one of its causes, altho' ^{it is produced} ~~its production is~~
 in a manner
 20 exactly the same with the Abscess
 1 on the Skin.

2 The Hectic fever differs from the
 fevers which have been described by af-
 fecting the arterial system only, with
 irregular or convulsive action. The
 intellects are clear - the nerves &
 muscles ^{are} free from pain - or undue mo-
 -tion - the ~~stomach~~ appetite is good,
 the bowels are regular & all the secre-
 -tions & excretions are natural in
 a Hectic fever. —

The 2nd disease of the Arterial system

✓ These Hemorrhages have been called
active and passive - and the limits of the
former have been confined to the Arteries,
& of the last to the Veins - But this is
an improper division of them. Perhaps
it ~~would be proper to call~~ ^{would} I have seen
hemorrhages accompanied with great
excess of action ^{in the Arteries} in people in the decline of
^{life} people, and with great deficiency of action
in persons under the period of the venous
plethora. -

is Hemorrhage. The ~~the~~ convulsion
 in the Arteries here is less than in com-
 -mon fever - owing to the discharge
 of blood from the dilated or ruptured
 extremities of the vessels. The other sys-
 -tems are but little affected with this
 Disorder in the Arteries, ^{by} with pain or
 irregular action. The nervous system
 somewhat ^{is} affected ~~with~~ hemorrhagia interna.
 But when the hemorrhage is internal
 it brings more of the system into
 sympathy more especially when it
 occurs in the brain. ✓

3 The Arterial system is affected in
 certain Dropsies. Here it suffers either
 in a primary ~~being~~ or secondary way,

✓ 4 The Arteries are affected in the febrile-
mania - in gout -
Gout in Apoplexy & palsy ^{together} with the ^{brain} nerves,
muscles - alimentary canal - & skin
The gout ^{affects} the ^{arteries &} nerves first, and
afterwards ~~with~~ all the systems of
the body. It affects the glands by a saliv-
ation - and the skin with ulcers - and
Erysipelas - and it ~~disorders the blood to~~ ^{lastly the changes the}
very properties of the blood itself. - In the
~~effusions which these changes cause~~
~~tonic state of Gout~~ it is confined chiefly to
the Arteries & nerves - In proportion as it
becomes atonic it extends itself to all the
systems which have been named. It ^{is} some-
times ^{so atonic as to} make its first appearance in the
Stomach & bowels, & ^{to} affects the Arteries
last - or not at all. I consider febrile mania,

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According as the Dropsy depends upon
the stimulus of effusions acting on
the Arteries, or upon an original undue
tone in the Arteries producing the
dropical effusions. —

~~4 The Arterial system is affected, with
the glandular & lymphatic system in
Scrophula, and with the Skin in Ulcers -
and ⁱⁿ local poisons of all kinds. But of this
more hereafter. —~~

5 The Arterial system brings the liver
into sympathy in Hepatitis from bilious
remitting fever.

6 It affects the stomach with vomiting &
the bowels with Dysentery.

7 It affects the Skin with rash as in
bilious & intermitting fever.

Gout - Apoplexy & ^{Palsy.} ~~Paralysis~~ as the connecting
links of Arterial & Nervous systems; and
therefore I have given the last place under
the head of Arterial ~~system~~ diseases.

we come now to 451 which affect the body
speak of ~~General~~ diseases, thro' the medium
of the ^{mind} ~~General~~ Brain - nerves & muscles.
~~I have intended~~ In the physiological
lectures, I adopted the opinion of Dr.
Monro & several other Physiologists,
who assert that the tendons & muscles
are appended only to the nerves, & y:
the nerves are in like manner were
appended to the Brain, and that
they did grow out of each other. To
this opinion, I added that I supposed y:
part of the brain which was the seat of the
Mind to be appended in like manner
to be the brain, and tho' so much acted
upon, and acting so much upon it, yet
I believed it to be
capable of existing without it.
This view of the Physiology of

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been confirmed
 the nervous system, has induced ~~one to~~
 by observing certain Diseases to affect ~~one~~
 of the muscles - the nerves - & the Brain
 & the mind, without affecting the whole
 what is called ^{Before I proceed to}
 of the nervous system. ~~I shall briefly~~
 mention these Diseases, I shall briefly
~~remark~~ that all the Diseases of this
 system like the Diseases of the Arterial
 system originate in ^{Direct or indirect} predisposing debi-
 lity, ^{This is abundantly} ~~this is~~ evident from the causes
 which induce them - from their symptoms,
 & from their method of cure. Debility
 being induced; the nervous ~~system~~ ^{after debility,} like
 the Arterial system, becomes more
 excitable, and from the Action of stimuli,
 is thrown into irregular motions

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